

Are you interested in pursuing a vocational, occupational, or technical program that could bring you closer to your dream job? The California Student Aid Commission provides State financial aid for those who meet certain income, asset, and other financial aid standards to attend college. The Cal Grant C program provides FREE MONEY to students pursuing an Associates or Certificate program.

To qualify, students need to:

- Be U.S. citizens, permanent residents or have AB 540 student status
- attend a Cal Grant Eligible vocational, occupational, or technical program
- meet certain income, asset, and other financial aid standards
- maintain satisfactory academic progress
- not be in default on a student loan
- not be incarcerated.



HOW TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID (FREE MONEY):

Complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at https://fafsa.ed.gov/ or the California Dream Act Application at https://dream.csac.ca.gov/ by the March 2 deadline.
If the Commission determines you eligible for a Cal Grant C, complete the Cal Grant C Supplement Form and return to the California Student Aid Commission by the requested deadline.
Use up to \$2,462 for tuition and fees and \$547 for books, tools, and equipment at any Ca Grant Eligible vocational, occupational, or technical program for up to two years.

So what's stopping you? Take a look at the priority list of occupational and technical trainings to see if the field that you're interested in can earn extra points for your application! For more information on the Cal Grant C, check out the California Student Aid Commission's website at http://www.csac.ca.gov.